CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
City Council Meeting
January 12, 2026
7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Member Don Bujalski Council Member Lynn Egan, Council Member Gary Berg, City Clerk Sarah Fyten, City Treasurer Kaye Stangl

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Laura Wacker, Brad Dehler Golf Course, Andy Leidenfrost Clubhouse

COUNCIL PROTOCOL:
The City Council Members are here to serve the City of Pierz. We expect respectful conduct at all times. Slander or inappropriate language will not be tolerated. Please speak only when addressed, one person at a time. Each speaker has a 5-minute time limit. We thank you for your cooperation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Lynn Egan to approve the regular city council meeting from December 22, 2025, with the adjustment to the exempt permit approval for church bingo. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to approve the agenda with the addition of adding the golf course. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT- DECEMBER $3,603,382.73:
City Treasurer Kaye Stangl shares the treasurers report for December $3,603,382.73.

A motion was made by Council Member Sarah Fyten and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS REPORT- DECEMBER $ $490,850.75:
Stangl shares the claims report for December $490,850.75.

A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to approve the claims report. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE RESOLUTION #2026-0112-01:
A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to approve Resolution #2026-0112-01 to approve the Food Shelf grant for annual rent. Motion carried unanimously.

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PARK COMMISSION UPDATE:
Clubhouse Lead Andy Leidenfrost addressed the council:

Team Lead Position

- Requested approval to post for two Team Lead positions.
- Proposed wage range: $19.99–$21.00 per hour.
- Posting to close on January 27.

A motion was made by Council Member Sarah Fyten and seconded by Council Member Lynn Egan to approve the team lead posting. Motion carried unanimously.

Clubhouse Staffing for Upcoming Season

- Shared staffing review and draft schedule based on last season's operations.
- Requested approval to hire 10–12 part-time clubhouse employees.
- Proposed wage range: $14.00–$16.50 per hour.
- Positions will:
    - Support daily clubhouse operations.
    - Improve beverage cart coverage on weekends and busy days.
    - Assist with kitchen operations.
    - Support routine duties and golf cart cleaning and maintenance.
- Noted that seven employees are expected to return, with approximately four additional hires needed.

A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to approve the team lead posting. Motion carried unanimously.

Park Committee Meeting Schedule Change
Requested approval to change Park Committee meetings to the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Current meeting time is the first Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Council Member Sarah Fyten and seconded by Council Member Lynn Egan to approve the Park Committee meeting time change to the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Membership Update

- Reported 32 memberships sold during the holiday special.
- Six memberships were new members.
- Noted one open seasonal membership remains available for 2026 and beyond.

Freedom Fest reached out, noting a proposed $1,000 sponsorship that would include the campground serving as a bus stop for the event. He reported that campground sites for that weekend are nearly full and that the partnership could allow for limited overflow camping and increased use of the campground. Council acknowledged the information.

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GOLF COURSE UPDATE:
Grounds Crew Lead Brad Dehler provided a brief update on seasonal maintenance at the golf course, noting that reels have begun to be sharpened and routine maintenance such as oil changes is underway. He requested approval to purchase a new deck for the rough mower at a cost of $26,715.47, which is within the 2026 heavy equipment budget. The purchase includes Toro picking up the mower, installing the new deck, performing an inspection, and replacing fluids and filters. Council discussed the necessity of the replacement, noting previous issues with the deck.

A motion was made by Council Member Sarah Fyten seconded by Council Member Lynn Egan to approve the quote of $26,715.47 for the deck and maintenance. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR:
Wacker shares that the city has received the second half of the property taxes. We are preparing for the end of the year and starting the auditor requests.

A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to approve the Freedom Fest donation of $1000. Motion carried unanimously.

The Council discussed a donation request from the Initiative Foundation, noting that the City last donated in 2023 and that this request was not included in the 2026 budget. Council agreed to pass on the donation this year due to budget constraints but suggested considering it as a possibility when preparing the 2027 budget, recognizing the Foundation's contributions to local organizations and community projects.

Lastly Wacker has been working on the annual bills, including memberships, insurance, police items, and the upcoming bond payment, noting all were approved and will appear on next month's claims report. Has also been working on the audit items.

COUNCIL UPDATES:
Council Member Egan acknowledges a $20,000 donation from the Pierz Lions toward the new playground at Pierz Park. It was noted that the Lions are also pursuing two additional grants on behalf of the City, with one decision expected in April and the other in mid-summer. Council expressed appreciation for their efforts in supporting the project.

ADJOURNMENT:
A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to adjourn the city council meeting at 7:17 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

John Perleberg, Mayor

Sarah Fyten, City Clerk